



## THREE GOALS OF CREATION SAFARIS

**Uses:** This outline works well for a short inspirational talk at the beginning of a hike or campout, especially if the activity requires stretching oneself a little.

**Theme:** Creation Safaris are much more than just hikes or camping trips. They are means to making us more knowledgeable, joyful, and confident Christians!

**Text:** Philippians 4:8-13:

8. *Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy – meditate on these things.*
9. *The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.*
10. *But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at last your care for me has flourished again: though you surely did care, but you lacked opportunity.*
11. *Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content.*
12. *I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.*
13. *I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.*

### Summary: **GOALS OF CREATION SAFARIS: THE THREE C'S**

1. **Contemplation:** *Whatever things are lovely, meditate on these things.*
2. **Contentment:** *I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content.*
3. **Confidence:** *I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.*

**Application:** As we hike, keep these three C's in mind:

Be observant. (*Contemplation*)

Don't murmur or complain. (*Contentment*)

Trust God and go the distance. (*Confidence*)

**Activity:** After the hike, see who can remember the three C's and explain them.